

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF NEW HUNSTANTON.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR1946.

Area (in acres): 1498 (including 434 acres of Foreshore).

Registrar-General's estimate of
resident population: 2,863.Number of inhabited houses (end of 1946) according
to Rate Books; 990.Rateable value and sum represented by a penny rate: £28,872
£ 112Social conditions, including the chief industries carried
on in the area, and the extent of Unemployment:- NoneVital Statistics.

| | Total. | M. | F. | |
|--------------|--------|----|----|---|
| Legitimate | 62 | 37 | 25 | Birth rate per 1000 estimated resident population mid 1946:- 21.6 |
| Live Births | | | | |
| Illegitimate | 3 | 2 | 1 | Rate per 1000 total (live and still) births:- 21.6 |
| Still births | - | - | - | |
| Deaths | 47 | 27 | 20 | Death rate per 1000 estimated population:- 16.4 |

| | <u>Deaths.</u> | Rate per 1000 total (live and still) Births. |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---|
| Death from puerperal causes | | |

No.29 Puerperal sepsis 0 0

No.30 Other puerperal causes: 0 0Total: 0 0

Death rate of infants under one year of age:- 2.1 M.1 F

All infants, per 1,000 live births: 30.7

Legitimate infants per 1,000
legitimate live births: 32.2Illegitimate infants per 1,000
illegitimate live births: None

Deaths from Cancer (all ages): M.3 F.4.

Measles (all ages) 0 0

Whooping cough (all
ages) 0 0Diarrhoea (under 2
years of age) 1 0Particulars of any unusual or excessive mortality during the year
which has received or required comment: None.Any causes of sickness or invalidity which have been specially
noteworthy in the area during the year; any conditions of
occupation or environment, which appear to have had a prejudicial
effect on health; and any evidence, statistical or otherwise,
that unemployment has exercised any significant influence on the
health or physique of children or adults: None.

SECTION B. General Provision of Health Services for the Area.

1. One part-time Medical Officer of Health. Building Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector. District Nurse.
2. (a) Laboratory facilities: None other than Medical Research Council Laboratory at the Norwich City Isolation Hospital.
(b) Ambulance facilities: For non-infectious and accident cases a Motor ambulance is provided by a Local Committee of The St. John Ambulance Brigade and British Red Cross Society conjointly for use in the District. It is worked by a Local Committee and is self-supporting as far as possible.
(c) Nursing in the home: The District Nurse undertakes this.
(d) Treatment centres and clinics, including clinics used solely for diagnosis or consultation: This work is undertaken at the King's Lynn Hospital.
(e) Hospitals: Public and Voluntary: None other than the King's Lynn Hospital.

SECTION C. Sanitary Circumstances of the Area.

(1) Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.

The Sewage Disposal Plant has operated satisfactorily during the year.

Plans have been prepared for the sewerage of Hunstanton North. It is proposed that the old works and outfalls in that area are to be scrapped and the sewage be ejected into the New Hunstanton mains.

(2) House Refuse.

Generally a fortnightly collection of house refuse has been maintained. During the summer months catering establishments and large hotels were cleared twice weekly.

Refuse was disposed of by Controlled Tipping on the field adjacent to the Sewage Disposal Works during the winter months. The Heacham Quarry was leased from the le Strange Estates and refuse was disposed of there during the summer months.

(3) Water Supply.

(a) The water supply of the area has been satisfactory in quality and quantity during the year.

(b) During the year two samples were submitted for bacteriological examination. The analyst's comments on the sample taken before chlorination were "The combined results show that this water is of good quality and quite safe for drinking purposes". The comments made on the sample taken after chlorination were "The water is of a high degree of bacterial purity and satisfactory for drinking purposes".

One chemical analysis was made with satisfactory results.

(c) All houses with the exception of 29 have direct mains supply. These 29 houses are served with mains supply from communal taps.

SECTION D. Housing.

The number of houses taken over from Military requisition,

renovated and adapted for housing purposes is 33.

A commencement has been made with the erection of 5 dwellings for Aged Persons on the Park Road Site.

Many inspections have been made under the Housing Acts, and where necessary, informal notice has been served.

SECTION E.

Milk Supply. There are now no producers within the Urban area.

Meat and other foods. The following meat and other foodstuffs has been condemned as unfit for human consumption during the year.

| | | | |
|---------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------|
| Meat: | 47 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs | Tinned Milk: | 42 tins |
| Offal: | 19 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs | Misc. Tinned Foods: | 23 Tins |
| Tinned Meats: | 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs | Sugar: | 3 lbs |
| Bacon: | 17 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs | Biscuits: | 14 lbs |
| Fish: | 44 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs | Other foods: | 3 lbs. |

SECTION F. Prevalence of, and control over, Infectious and Other diseases.

Not sufficient to call for comment.

Diphtheria Immunisation:-

Prophylactic used:- Government supplied A.P.T. (B.W. & Co.)

Number immunised.

| <u>Under 5 years.</u> | <u>5 - 15 years</u> | <u>Total:</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 26 | 2 | 28 |

Existing facilities for typing pneumococci and provision of appropriate type sera: None.

Notifiable Diseases during 1946.

| <u>Disease.</u> | <u>Total cases notified</u> | <u>Cases admitted to Hospital</u> | <u>Total Deaths</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Smallpox | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Scarlet Fever | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Diphtheria | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Puerperal Fever | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pneumonia | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Whooping Cough | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Measles | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Jaundice | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Erysipelas | 2 | 0 | 0 |

3. Tuberculosis.

It has not been necessary to take any action.

4. Tuberculosis.

New Cases and Mortality during 1946.

NEW CASES

DEATHS.

| Age periods | Respiratory | | Non Respiratory | | Respiratory | | Non Respiratory | |
|----------------|-------------|----|-----------------|----|-------------|----|-----------------|----|
| | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 0 - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 - | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 25 - | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 35 - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 45 - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 55 - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 65 and upwards | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals: | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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